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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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EXAMINER:

LEUNG, Q.

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INVENTION:

OPTICALLY PUMPED, SURFACE-EMITTING

SEMICONDUCTOR LASER DEVICE AND METHOD FOR

THE MANUFACTURE THEREOF

Hon. Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington D.C. 20231

SIR:

In response to the restriction requirement dated June 25, 2002, Applicants hereby elect for purposes of immediate prosecution the invention of group I, claims 1-24. The election is without traverse.

The Examiner required election of either claims 1-24 or claims 26-29. Applicant specifically reserves the right to file a divisional application on the non-elected claims.

Favorable consideration of the present application is hereby requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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